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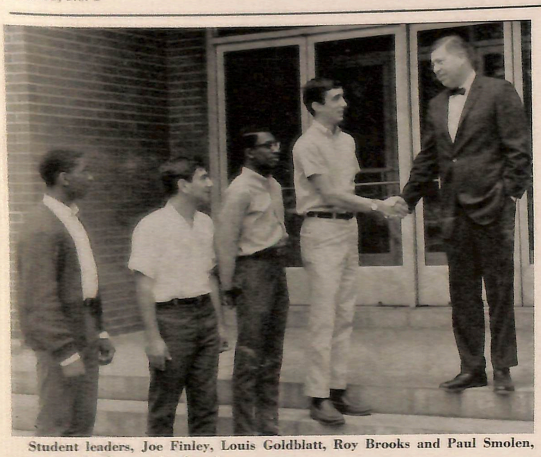

Student leaders, Joe Finley, Louis Goldblatt, Roy Brooks and Paul Smolen, meet with Mr. Seretny for first time.

Student Leaders To Guide School And Class Activities

The school and the senior class last June elected new slates of officers for the 1967-68 term. The school leaders will head the Student Government, while the class officers will be responsible for all senior activities.

Student Government officers

Heading the Student Government as president is *Louis Goldblatt*. A senior, he is president of the Debate Club and a member of the French Club.

Joseph Finley will serve as vice-president of the Student Government. He is a junior, with membership in the French and Math clubs.

Denise Courtmanche assumes the post of secretary of the Student Government. She is business manager of the *Gleam* art board, a staff member of the *Elm Tree*, and a member of the French Club.

Leslie Bellin, a senior, is the treasurer of the Student Government. Her other school activities include being secretary of the Philosophy Club, assistant editor of the *Gleam* editorial board.

Senior class leaders

Paul Smolen is the new president of the senior class. He served as homeroom representative to the Junior Executive Board last year. He is currently a member of the German, French, and Math-Physics clubs.

Roy Brooks is the vice-president of the senior class. He also plays on the basketball team and works part time at the Y.M.C.A. Interested in medicine, Roy is vice-president of a medical group at St. Raphael's Hospital.

Paula Coleman is the secretary of the senior class. She has also served as secretary of her Junior Achievement company.

Ruby White will be the senior class treasurer. She is also active as a cheerleader.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

May I take this opportunity to welcome the Hillhouse student body to the academic year of 1967-1968. Many changes have evolved during the summer months which will insure the educational experiences necessary to keep Hillhouse in the forefront of public education.

1. The independent study laboratory has been completed and will be fully operational this year, certifying multi-media teaching devices, which include tapes, filmstrips, records, and programmed learning.
2. On the third floor there is a complete electronics laboratory, equipped and installed with every conceivable unit of apparatus involving television and radio and a clinical laboratory basic to the training of laboratory technicians.

Controversies about education in recent months have in one way or another turned upon the issue of the role of the school in transmitting our cultural heritage. There are those who have blamed the schools for every "un-American" trait that they believe to be increasing in our society. Some critics assume that education should shoulder the responsibility for ushering in a new social order. Needless to say, whatever particular solutions are arrived at, in the final analysis they will be largely a matter of American education facing up to what may be the distinguishing characteristic of our age, rapid and irrevocable change. You are a symbol of this change and the challenge is yours for the taking. I urge you one and all to make the most of it.

Sincerely,
Albert A. Seretny
Principal

Board Assigns Teachers Here

The Board of Education has assigned several new teachers to Hillhouse in order to fill the vacancies left by retiring faculty. The list of incoming faculty includes the following:

Marshall Bergen, a biology teacher with an M.S. in Education from the University of Bridgeport; Miss Mary Brennen, a Spanish teacher with a B.A. from Edgewood College; Miss Christine Ewing, who will teach English and has earned a B.A. degree; Paul Fazzino, a Spanish teacher and B.S. degree recipient, and Miss Sandra Friday, who will teach English and has earned her B.A.

Also, Charles Garner, a music teacher with an M.A. from Boston University; Mrs. Karen Goldwater, who will also teach English; Fred Grosso, who received his M.A. at UConn and will teach social studies; Miss Frances Hamermesh, a history teacher and M.A.T. recipient from Yale, and Miss Reyna Korman, who will teach social studies.

Also, Miss Stefani Levinos, who will join the faculty ranks as a Latin teacher; Miss Paula Morrison, a science teacher holding a B.S. degree from the University of Connecticut; Mrs. Nancetta Walker, an English teacher who is presently working for her M.F.A. at Oklahoma University and Miss Susanne Weil, a new art teacher from Wayne State College.

These teachers attended an orientation meeting at Lee High School August 30, and began regular duties with the rest of the faculty yesterday.

New Assistant Principal Hails Spirit, Curriculum

Once again changes have taken place in the Hillhouse administration. The most significant change, however, is that of assistant principal. Mr. Eugene Vitelli, whose brother, Mr. George Vitelli, formerly held this office, accepted the new position last spring with an expectation and eagerness to work for his old alma mater.

Educational background

Mr. Vitelli graduated from Hillhouse in 1953 and then continued at Fairfield University where he received his Master's Degree in administration and supervision. He also attended Bridgeport University where he earned a sixth year certificate in guidance.

Mr. Vitelli began his career at Fair Haven Intermediate School as a history and science teacher. After some years in the guidance administration he was appointed assistant principal at which point he was asked to join the Hillhouse administration.

Opinions and plans

When asked about his opinions of Hillhouse, Mr. Vitelli replied that although he hadn't seen the school in action, he believed it to be the best school in New Haven. He went on to say that Hillhouse possessed a "spirited student body" whose individuals enjoyed a great amount of academic freedom and opportunities. He was quite pleased that the school curriculum now included humanities and other such pertaining courses.

As the new assistant to Mr. Seretny, Mr. Vitelli is looking forward to working with the administration and student body of Hillhouse. His job will cover mainly supervision and administration.

"First Day Blues" Hit Teacher, Too!

By LISA ADAMS

All was going smoothly that first day of school. It was lunchtime and Hillhouse's newest and youngest teacher, Miss Newley, had cafeteria duty.

Glancing at the clock, Miss Newley noticed it was time to check the girls' lavoratory. Approaching the door labeled "GIRLS" across from Cafeteria I, Miss Newley saw smoke seeping out from under the door. Quickly she opened it. She was standing in the middle of a cloud of smoke. Coughing, she made her way over to the three girls smoking. But before she had a chance to tell them to stop, the door flung open. She heard:

"Everyone to the office! Immediately!"

Muttering under their breath, the girls marched out.

"Young lady!" exclaimed the other teacher. Miss Newley looked around. "Yes! You! Come along!"

"No," she smiled graciously. "You don't understand. I'm a . . ."

"Do you think you're a privileged character? Well . . ., you're not. Two weeks detention!"

Before she knew what was happening, Miss Newley found herself sitting in the office! Yes, it was quite a first day!

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Get Ready For This!!

Students pass calmly through the halls as *Sentinel* photographer snaps a typical "between period" scene.

Ac Cheerleaders Attend Clinic

Can you imagine four Hillhouse cheerleaders going to camp? Joan Carey, Mary Faraclas, Barbara Socovit, and Alba Walker did just that when they represented Hillhouse at the 1967 summer clinic sponsored by the National Cheerleading Association at the Pocano Sports Camp in Pennsylvania from July 30 to August 4.

Approximately 90 girls received instructions in pompom routines, cheers, and tumbling, from 8:30 until noon every day. For an hour in the afternoon they attended seminars and lectures on crowd psychology, pep rallies, and arousing school spirit. Each night from 7-9 p.m. the cheerleaders participated in competition in which they exhibited two cheers.

Our four cheerleaders found this week to be rewarding, both physically and mentally. Besides meeting and establishing friendships with girls from places such as West Virginia, Erie, Pennsylvania, Boston, and New York, they won three first places, a second place, and an honorable mention during the nightly competitions. To sum up their week, on the last night of camp they won a "spirit stick," an award given to the most spirited group.

WHO'S WHO IN HILLHOUSE

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Secretary — Denise Courtmanche
Assistant Secretary — Kenneth Berma
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Vice-President — Ruth Garson
Secretary — Larry Fine
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Vice-President — Randall Marangell

FOOTBALL TEAM
Co-Captains — Bruce Grant, John Mele

TENNIS TEAM
Captain — Alan Smirnoff

TRACK TEAM
Co-Captains — Gordon Cables, Donald Kaplan

CHEERLEADING SQUAD
Co-Captains — Joan Carey, Alba Walker

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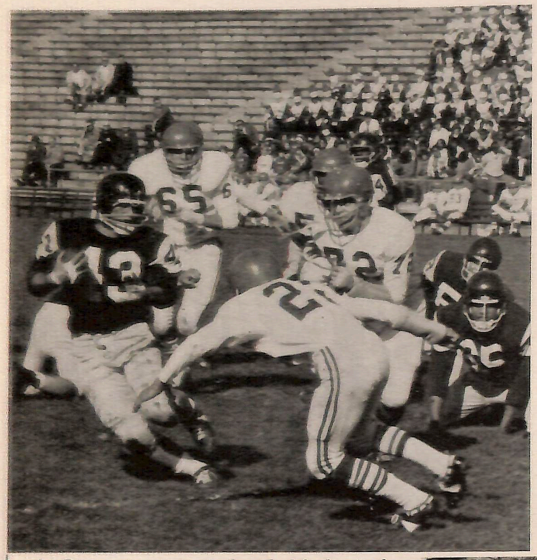

Art Ratner attempts to rip through defenders in the traditional Hillhouse athletic spirit.

The band plays on. Despite losses in number, the band continues to be one of the most spirited and capable groups at Hillhouse.

One way to beat the heat and still enjoy learning is to make a quick transfer to an outdoor classroom.

The students make Hillhouse what it is today, and every year outstanding achievements are recognized at the prize assemblies.

Former Ac students gloat over victories of the past, preserved in many trophy cases, and ponder the countless victories of the future.